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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7063**

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 182

**DATE PREPARED:** Dec 19, 2000

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Unobstructed View at Railroad Crossing.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X GENERAL  
DEDICATED  
FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill reduces the required number of feet with an unobstructed view at a railroad crossing from 1,500 feet to 500 feet. The bill also adds railroad rolling stock to the list of factors that may obstruct the view from the railroad crossing.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2001.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:** Current law provides that a railroad that violates the provisions of this chapter is subject to a penalty of \$50 per day for each day the violation continues subject to a maximum fine of \$5,000, to be recovered in a civil action by the state, in the circuit or superior court of the county where the crossing is located. This bill narrows the situations in which violations may occur.

The fund affected is the State General Fund.

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Department of Transportation; Attorney General.

**Local Agencies Affected:** Courts.

**Information Sources:** Bruce Hartmann, Supervisor of Counties, Clerks, Sheriff, Board of Accounts, 232-2512.